raised by Central Water Commission/Central Electricity Authority.

Kishau Dam: The Project was initially received in Central Water Commission in May, 1978 and based on their comments the modified reports was submitted in 1988. However, as no provision for water supply to Delhi was made, the Government of Uttar Pradesh in a meeting held in the Central Water Commission in May, 1989 agreed to modify the project so as to include the water supply component. The Revised Project report has not been received so far.

Allotment of LPG Agencies to Handicapped Persons in Himachal Pradesh

4531. SHRI D.D. KHANDRIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the handicapped persons are allotted LPG agencies and Petrol/diesel retail outlets; and

(b) if so, the number of such persons who have been allotted such agencies in Himachal Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on date, three LPG agencies and four Petrol/Diesel Retail Outlets have been allotted to handicapped persons in Himachal Pradesh.

More Secured Passport

4532. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently introduced the 'More Secured passport' (MSP) to check the forged passport Menace; and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Salient features comprise some ultra violet features and use of heat activated ultra violet film to secure photograph and personal particulare.

[*Translation*]

LPG Connection in Bihar

4533. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applicants on the waiting list for LPG connections at Ranchi, Gumla, Lohardaga and Daltonganj (Palamau) in Bihar; and

(b) the time by which the LPG connections are likely to be sanctioned to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) The information as reported by the Oil Companies is as under:

	No. of Persons on waiting list	
Ranchi	16080	(Approximate)
Gumla	1150	"
Lohardaga	1300	"
Daltonganj (Palamau)	1150	"

(b) Efforts are continuously on to give LPG connection to as many applicants as early as possible.

[*English*]

Import of Crude Oil

4534. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) percentage of the crude oil imported in the country as compared to the entire consumption of the country as well as percentage of rise in the prices thereof during the last two years; and

(b) the percentage of rise in the prices of diesel and petrol during this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) Quantity of Crude Oil imported during 1989-90 and 1990-91 was 37.5% and 40% respectively of the total Crude Oil processed during these years.

The average C.I.F. price of imported crude oil in 1989-90 and 1990-91 was about 30.6% and 40.9% higher than the previous years respectively.

(b) The ex-storage prices of Diesel and petrol (MS 87) increased by 17.38% and 16.25% respectively during 1989-90 and by 25% during 1990-91.

Profit/Loss of Farms Managed by State Farms Corporation of India Limited

4535. KUMARI VIMLA VERMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the State Farms Corporation of India Limited during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): The position with regard to net profit/loss of the farms being managed by the State Farms Corporation of India Limited is as under:-